

TRANSCRIPTION - ORIGINAL FOLLOWS

2. AS A CONTINUATION OF THE STEPS TAKEN TO BEGIN A [ILLEG] RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BAZARGAN GOVERNMENT, WE WOULD CHARGE LAINGEN TO PROVIDE SELECTED INTEL ORALLY RPT ORALLY AFGHANISTAN TO YAZDI OR BAZARGAN. THESE ITEMS WOULD BE CABLED TO STATION BY HQS TO PASS TO LAINGEN. THE FIRST OF THIS INFO FOLLOWS BELOW. LAINGEN SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR THAT INFO BEING PROVIDED AS PART OF EFFORT BEGUN BY THE 22 AUGUST BRIEFING IN [ILLEG] HE SHOULD ALSO REQUEST BAZARGAN OR YAZDI FOR ANY CORROBORATION OF THIS INFO WHICH IRANIAN GOVERNMENT MIGHT HAVE OR BE ABLE TO GET. WE WANT THUS TO ENCOURAGE INTEL DIALOGUE RPT DIALOGUE. YOU MAY ASSURE LAINGEN STATE DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF THIS REQUEST, AND CONCURS.

3. ON 17 AUGUST, A SENIOR SOVIET MILITARY DELEGATION LED BY A FOUR STAR GENERAL ARRIVED IN KABUL. THE GENERAL WAS ACCOMPANIED BY 12 OTHER GENERALS AND SIX COLONELS. THE DELEGATION IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN FOR ABOUT 25 DAYS TO STUDY THE INSURGENCY SITUATION. THE SOVIET ADVISORY ROLE WITH THE AFGHAN MILITARY HAS INCREASED OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. IN ADDITION, IN EARLY SEPTEMBER WE RECEIVED UNCONFIRMED INFORMATION THAT SOVIET TROOPS [ILLEG] BRIGADE STRENGTH HAD ARRIVED IN KABUL POSSIBLY TO PROTECT SOVIET CITIZENS AND FACILITIES. WE DO HAVE RELIABLE [ILLEG] THAT APPROXIMATELY 400 SOVIET TROOPS ARE STATIONED AT BARGAM [ILLEG] KABUL.

4. [ILLEG] WILL NOTE STATE R41748 OF 14 SEPTEMBER REGARDING SHIFTING DIALOGUE ON AFGHANISTAN WITH GOVERNMENT OF IRAN.

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MESSAGE MAY HAVE BEEN STIMULATED BY OUR CLEARING [WORDS ILLEG] PROPOSAL WITH STATE, BUT IN ANY CASE ITS THRUST AND SCOPE ARE INTENDED TO BE COMPLEMENTARY. FOR EXAMPLE [WORDS ILLEG] AFGHAN SITUATION IN GENERAL WITH YAZDI OR BAZARGAN [WORDS ILLEG] SHOULD PASS PARA THREE INFO AND ASK FOR IRANIAN CORROBORATION.

5. NO FILE.

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TO: PRIORITY TEHRAN INFO KABUL

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REF: TEHRAN 54262 (NOT SENT/NEEDED KABUL)

1. FOR KABUL: HWY REQUESTS THAT TEHRAN BE AWARE OF AFGHAN SITUATION. W22 KABUL COMPLY.

2. AS A CONTINUATION OF THE STEPS TAKEN TO BEGIN A LIAISON RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BAZARGAN GOVERNMENT, WE WILL CHARGE LAINGEN TO PROVIDE SELECTED INTELL INFO ORALLY. INFO WILL BE PROVIDED TO KABUL OR BAZARGAN. THESE ITEMS WOULD BE GIB TO STATION BY HES TO PASS TO LAINGEN. THE FIRST OF THIS INFO FOLLOWS BELOW. LAINGEN SHOULD MAKE IT CLEAR THAT INFO BEING WILDED AS PART OF EFFORT BEGUN BY THE 22 AUGUST MEETING IN TEHRAN. HE SHOULD ALSO REQUEST BAZARGAN OR NAZDI FOR ANI CORROBORATION OF THIS INFO WHICH IRANIAN GOVERNMENT MIGHT HAVE OR BE ABLE TO GET. WE WANT THIS TO ENCOURAGE INTELL DIALOGUE AND DIALOGUE. YOU MAY ASSURE LAINGEN STATE DEPARTMENT INFORMED OF THIS REQUEST, AND CONCURS.

3. ON 17 AUGUST, A SENIOR SOVIET MILITARY DELEGATION OF 14 FOUR STAR GENERAL ARRIVED IN KABUL. THE GENERAL WAS ACCOMPANIED BY 12 OTHER GENERALS AND SIX COLONELS. THE DELEGATION WAS REQUESTED TO REMAIN FOR ABOUT 25 DAYS TO STUDY THE AFGHAN SITUATION. THE SOVIET ADVISORY ROLE WITH THE AFGHAN MILITARY HAS INCREASED OVER THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. IN ADDITION, IN SEPTEMBER, WE RECEIVED UNCONFIRMED INFORMATION THAT SOVIET TROOPS AND REGIMENT STRENGTH HAD ARRIVED IN KABUL POSSIBLY TO PROTECT SOVIET CITIZENS AND FACILITIES. WE DO TAKE RELIABLE REPORT APPROXIMATELY 400 SOVIET TROOPS ARE STATIONED AT BAZARGAN.

4. LAINGEN WILL NOTE STATE 241748 OF 14 SEPTEMBER REGARDING SOVIET DIALOGUE ON AFGHANISTAN WITH GOVERNMENT OF IRAN.

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SHOULD PASS FROM THREE INFO AND ARE FOR ITSELF CORROBOR

3. NO INFO. BYV 10-27-68 DRW DDC-1 ALL SECRET

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